

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appln. No: 10/554,028  
Applicant: Chunquan Chen et al.  
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Title: USE OF LIPO CHITOLIGOSACCHARIDES TO INITIATE EARLY FLOWERING  
AND FRUIT DEVELOPMENT IN PLANTS AND RELATED METHODS AND  
COMPOSITIONS  
TC/A.U.: 1616  
Examiner: Alton Nathaniel Pryor

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and to the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application is requested to consider and make of record the references listed on the PTO/SB/08b form submitted herewith. A copy of each reference listed on the PTO/SB/08b is enclosed.

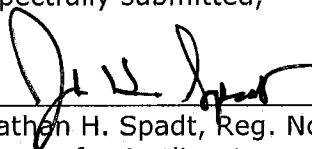
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(2) References

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